

SUPREME COURT
State of Delaware

2018 Annual Report Statistical Information

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Caseload Comparison - Fiscal Years 2017-2018 - Filings				
	2017	2018	Change	% Change
Criminal Appeals	283	338	55	19.4%
Civil Appeals	215	272	57	26.5%
Certifications	2	0	-2	-100%
Original Applications	19	20	1	5.3%
Bd. on Prof. Resp.	11	14	3	27.3%
Bd. of Bar Exam	0	0	0	0%
Advisory Opinions	1	0	-1	-100%
Other	2	2	0	0.0%
Total	533	646	113	21.2%

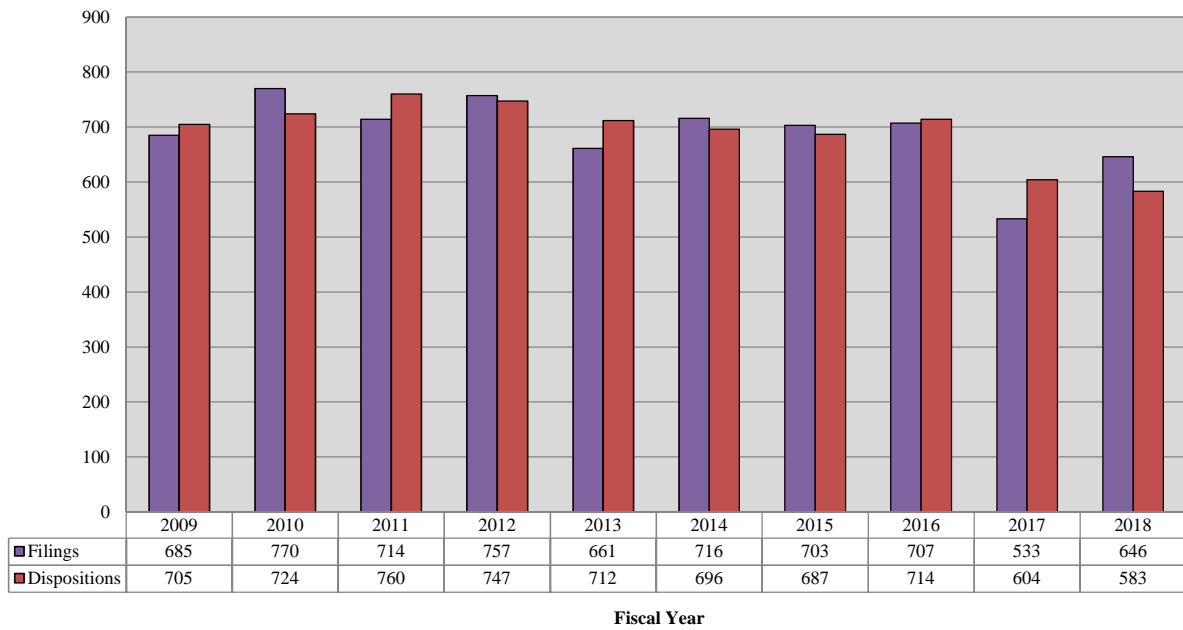
Caseload Comparison - Fiscal Years 2017-2018 - Dispositions				
	2017	2018	Change	% Change
Criminal Appeals	334	313	-21	-6.3%
Civil Appeals	236	231	-5	-2.1%
Certifications	2	1	-1	-50%
Original Applications	20	20	0	0.0%
Bd. on Prof. Resp.	9	16	7	78%
Bd. of Bar Exam	0	0	0	0%
Advisory Opinions	0	0	0	0%
Other	3	2	-1	-33%
Total	604	583	-21	-3.5%

Bd. on Prof. Resp. = Board on Professional Responsibility.

Bd. of Bar Exam. = Board of Bar Examiners.

Source: Court Administrator and Clerk of the Supreme Court; Administrative Office of the Courts.

Supreme Court 10-Year Total Caseload Trend



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Caseload Breakdowns - Fiscal Year 2018 - Filings									
	Court of Chancery		Superior Court		Family Court		Non-Court Originated		Total
Criminal Appeals	0	0%	338	100%	0	0%	0	0%	338 100%
Civil Appeals	55	20.2%	137	50.4%	80	29.4%	0	0%	272 100%
Other*	0	0%	0	0%	0	0%	36	100%	36 100%
Total	55	8.5%	475	73.5%	80	12.4%	36	5.6%	646 100%

Caseload Breakdowns - Fiscal Year 2018- Dispositions									
	Court of Chancery		Superior Court		Family Court		Non-Court Originated		Total
Criminal Appeals	0	0%	313	100%	0	0%	0	0%	313 100%
Civil Appeals	57	24.7%	111	48.1%	63	27.3%	0	0%	231 100%
Other*	0	0%	0	0%	0	0%	39	100%	39 100%
Total	57	9.8%	424	72.7%	63	10.8%	39	6.7%	583 100%

*Includes Original Applications; Certifications; Advisory Opinions; Appeals from the Board on Professional Responsibility and the Board of Bar Examiners; and Other Filing & Disposition Types.

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Types of Dispositions - Fiscal Year 2018									
	Affirmed		Affirmed Part/Reversed Part		Reversed		Remanded		Voluntary Dismissal
Criminal Appeals	212	67.7%	1	0.3%	4	1.3%	9	2.9%	17 5.4%
Civil Appeals & Other	133	49.3%	6	2.2%	14	5.2%	0	0.0%	28 10.4%
Total	345	59.2%	7	1.2%	18	3.1%	9	1.5%	45 7.7%
	Court Dismissal		Leave to Appeal Denied		Other*				Total
Criminal Appeals	70	22.4%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%			313 100%
Civil Appeals & Other	58	21.5%	16	5.9%	15	5.6%			270 100%
Total	128	22.0%	16	2.7%	15	2.6%			583 100%

Methods of Dispositions - Fiscal Year 2018							
	Assigned Opinion		Per Curiam Opinion		Written Order		
Criminal Appeals	10	3.2%	0	0%	287	91.7%	
Civil Appeals	25	10.8%	0	0%	182	78.8%	
Certifications	1	100%	0	0%	0	0%	
Original Applications	0	0%	0	0%	19	95%	
Bd. on Prof. Resp.	0	0%	2	13%	12	75.0%	
Bd. of Bar Exam.	0	0%	0	0%	0	0%	
Advisory Opinions	0	0%	0	0%	0	0%	
Other	0	0%	0	0%	2	100%	
Total	36	6.2%	2	0%	502	86.1%	
	Voluntary Dismissal		Other		Total		
Criminal Appeals	16	5.1%	0	0%	313	100%	
Civil Appeals	24	10.4%	0	0%	231	100%	
Certifications	0	0.0%	0	0%	1	100%	
Original Applications	1	5.0%	0	0%	20	100%	
Bd. on Prof. Resp.	2	12.5%	0	0%	16	100%	
Bd. of Bar Exam.	0	0%	0	0%	0	-	
Advisory Opinions	0	0%	0	0%	0	-	
Other	0	0%	0	0%	2	100%	
Total	43	7.4%	0	0%	583	100%	

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Performance Summary - Fiscal Year 2018 - Average Elapsed Time to Disposition					
	Number of Dispositions	Average Time From Filing to Disposition		Average Time From Submission to Disposition*	
Criminal Appeals	313	186.4	days	32.0	days
Civil Appeals	231	256.3	days	95.3	days
Certifications	1	0.0	days	0.0	days
Original Applications	20	50.4	days	24.2	days
BPR	16	46.1	days	16.4	days
BBE	0	-	days	-	days
Advisory Opinions	0	-	days	-	days
Other	2	43.0	days	32.5	days
Total	583	191.7	days	43.2	days

Caseload Comparison - Fiscal Years 2017-2018 - Average Time from Filing to Disposition					
	2017		2018		% Change
Criminal Appeals	177.2	days	186.4	days	5.2%
Civil Appeals	203.0	days	256.3	days	26.2%
Certifications	187.5	days	0.0	days	-100.0%
Original Applications	61.3	days	50.4	days	-17.7%
BPR	27.4	days	46.1	days	68.1%
BBE	-	days	-	days	-
Advisory Opinions	-	days	-	days	-
Other	26.0	days	43.0	days	65.4%
Total	167.4	days	191.7	days	14.5%

*Average time from date submitted for judicial decision to actual date of disposition. The time for a case that is submitted and disposed in the same day is zero. Not all Supreme Court cases require a judicial decision.

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Performance Breakdowns - Fiscal Year 2018 - Elapsed Time by Disposition Type				
	Number of Dispositions	Average Time From Filing to Disposition		Average Time From Submission to Disposition*
Affirmed	345	234.4	days	39.8 days
Affirmed Part/Reversed Part	7	408.9	days	45.9 days
Reversed	18	305.7	days	62.0 days
Remanded	9	99.2	days	19.7 days
Voluntary Dismissal	45	247.2	days	153.8 days
Court Dismissal	128	74.0	days	19.7 days
Leave to Appeal Denied	16	21.1	days	14.5 days
Other	15	49.4	days	18.7 days
Total	583	191.7	days	43.2 days

Performance Breakdowns - Fiscal Year 2018- Elapsed Time by Disposition Method				
	Number of Dispositions	Average Time From Filing to Disposition		Average Time From Submission to Disposition*
Assigned Opinion	36	359.5	days	59.7 days
Per Curiam Opinion	2	-	days	- days
Written Order	502	175.0	days	32.2 days
Voluntary Dismissal	43	250.5	days	157.4 days
Other	0	-	days	- days
Total	583	191.7	days	43.2 days

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